

December 14, 2018

Mr. Ernie Marks
Executive Director
South Florida Water Management District

Dear Ernie,

I write to resign from the position of Chief of Staff & General Counsel of the District. I have accepted an offer to practice law at a private firm and would like to transition into that role at the beginning of the new year. I will work with you to determine the best date under the circumstances to be my last date of employment at the District.

This decision was difficult. The work of the District is important to so many Floridians and assisting you and the Executive Team as you execute the District's mission is tremendously rewarding. Thank you for the opportunity to be part of your team. And thank you for your leadership and friendship these last few years.

Sincerely yours,



Brian Accardo



SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

January 1, 2019

The Honorable Rick Scott
Governor, State of Florida
PL05, The Capitol
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Dear Governor Scott:

First, let me congratulate you on your election to the U.S. Senate. It has been an honor to serve as one of your gubernatorial appointees during your successful tenure as our Governor and I know you will take that knowledge and expertise to Washington and represent our great state efficiently, effectively, and eloquently.

As one of your Governing Board appointees to the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), I have been proud to move your initiatives forward. We have finished more projects, allocated more dedicated funding toward restoration, and moved legislation forward that protects the environment and conserves for future generations to come during your eight years as our Governor.

As the largest water management district in the state that is also responsible for restoring America's Everglades, we have been met with many unique challenges. We have been able to overcome those challenges and move forward large-scale capital projects that could not have been possible without your understanding and support.

During my four-year tenure, I have focused on improving our communications directly with the public through our website, social media, and podcasts. We have been able to empower the taxpayers of our district with information direct from our many highly qualified and regarded scientists. I have enjoyed working closely with our field staff and land management team as the Chair of the Project and Lands Committee as we focused on the surplus lands that are not needed, putting them back on the tax rolls and dedicated those revenues for management of conservation lands that will benefit the region on the whole. And, lastly, I have enjoyed working with my fellow board members as we made landmark decisions that we believe will benefit future generations of Floridians.

It is with this sentiment I offer my formal resignation from the Governing Board effective January 1, 2019, as my businesses require more of my personal attention. I have the utmost confidence in our staff and the board to continue the good work that your initiatives have led us to accomplish thus far. I also know that with you as a partner in Congress, the SFWMD will have the voice and advocate it has needed for so long.

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Thank you for entrusting me with this great honor to serve on the board of the SFWMD.
It is an experience I will cherish for many years to come.

Sincerely,

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Melanie Peterson

c: Governor's Appointments Office



SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

January 11, 2019

Office of Governor Ron DeSantis
State of Florida
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Dear Gov. DeSantis:

I am writing to submit my resignation from the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District, effective January 11, 2019.

It has been a great honor to have served on the SFWMD board since I was appointed in May of 2011. These last eight years have been historic in the progress we have made undoing decades of damage done to Florida's environment and restoring it closer to its natural state.

In the Central Florida area that I represented, we worked with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to bring massive Kissimmee River Restoration projects, literally decades in the making, to the brink of completion. We worked with water management districts and other partners to create the Central Florida Water Initiative planning for the water supply needs of Central Florida's future generations. We completed several major restoration projects such as rehabilitating the Florida Bay Restoration Initiative that are already benefitting the environment. We have also made major progress restoring the water quality of Florida's Everglades by completing components of the Restoration Strategies plan.

I compliment you for the spot light and urgency you have directed to the issues of blue-green algae, red tide and releases from Lake Okeechobee to the coastal estuaries. While the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan and Restoration Strategies provide for the long term solutions, I agree with you that short term relief is absolutely needed. I respect your passion and dedication for protecting and improving Florida's environment. While I did not vote for the November 8, 2018 lease amendment involving the land that will be used to build the EAA Storage Reservoir, or the motion to dismiss the 1988 federal lawsuit, I understand your desire to have your own appointees on the SFWMD board.

I also want to thank you for the bold environmental priorities you set this week through your *Achieving More Now for Florida's Environment* executive order. The priorities you set in that order are exactly what Florida's environment needs, such as expediting design and construction of the EAA Storage Reservoir and other restoration projects.

I look forward to continuing to serve Floridians in other volunteer capacities.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dan O'Keefe". The signature is written in a cursive style, with the first name "Dan" being more prominent and the last name "O'Keefe" following it.

Dan O'Keefe
SFWMD Governing Board Member

January 11, 2019

Office of Governor Ron DeSantis
State of Florida
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe St.
Tallahassee FL, 32399-0001

Dear Governor DeSantis,

At the request of your office, I am writing to formally tender my resignation on the Board of Governors of the South Florida Water Management District, effective immediately.

It has been an honor to serve the people of our great State of Florida and the hard-working staff of the South Florida Water Management District for the past 9 months. I am proud of my service as a Board member and that of the progress the district has made on Everglades restoration during my tenure, projects including:

- EAA Reservoir Plan
- Project in Broward County to enhance flood control and flood protection
- Approved construction of the S333 North Structure with the goal of moving more water south
- Completion of the STA 1-West expansion for achieving water quality standards in the Everglades
- Continued work on the C43
- Continued success of the Python Removal Program
- Water movement on Florida Bay

It is my hope that the new administration, along with the team at SFWMD, will continue to drive initiatives such as Everglades restoration, water supply, water quality improvement and flood protection. Many challenges continue with these endeavors but I am confident your office, along with the talented individuals at the District, will continue to make significant progress on these critically important initiatives.

If I can be of any assistance during the time it will take to fill the position, please don't hesitate to ask.

Best Regards,



Carlos Diaz
cdiaz@sfwmd.gov



SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

January 25, 2019

The Honorable Ron DeSantis
Governor, State of Florida
The State of Florida Executive Office
400 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Governor DeSantis:

As requested, I hereby tender my resignation from the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District effective January 26th, 2019.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Frederick T. Barber III".

Frederick T Barber III PE

c: Governor's Appointments Office

Chairman Federico Fernandez resigned via e-mail:

I'm extremely proud of the work the governing board has accomplished over the last three years to benefit all of the residents of the SFWMD's 16 counties AND the restoration of the natural environment. It is clear that the Governor wants a board completely comprised of his appointments for the purpose of carrying out his vision. I have made every effort to remain on the board during this period of transition for the purpose of ensuring that much needed water resource projects are advanced, and in so doing, decisions are made that help future board members. By way of example, in February our board will be considering the approval of the C-43 reservoir construction contract, the largest contract of its kind to be solicited by SFWMD to date. The approval of this contract also represents a massive leap forward in the construction of a water management feature that will improve Caloosahatchee estuary conditions for generations to come. I feel personally responsible for ensuring that these important decisions be made by the board during this transitional period. Therefore, once the February meeting is completed I will be tendering my resignation in the hope that successor board members shall continue to improve upon the important work we've accomplished to date.



SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

January 30, 2019

The Honorable Ron DeSantis
Governor of the State of Florida
State of Florida Executive Office
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Dear Governor DeSantis:

I am writing to announce my resignation from the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District, effective immediately.

I am honored to have had the opportunity to serve on the Governing Board. I was blessed with an extremely dedicated staff and equally committed board members. We have significantly advanced the important job of restoring Florida's Everglades and protecting its water resources in recent years. I am confident that many of the important restoration projects we have started, such as the C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir that will help restore the Caloosahatchee River and Estuary that I love, will be completed in the coming years under your leadership.

While I have enjoyed serving the citizens of the great state of Florida, particularly representing those on its Southwest Coast, I respect your wish for a fresh start in leadership and I'm excited about your resolute commitment to Florida's environment. South Florida's water resources are in good hands with you in the Governor's Office. I therefore respectfully tender my resignation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Weisinger", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jaime Weisinger
SFWMD Governing Board Member

c: Ernie Marks
Tia Barnett

January 30, 2019

The Honorable Rick Scott
United States Senate
B3 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

RE: Resignation from the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District

Dear Senator Scott:

It is with a heavy heart that I write to you today submitting my intention to resign effective February 15th, 2019, from the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District.

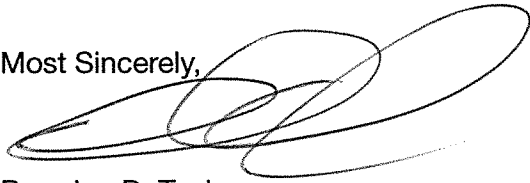
As you know, I grew up on the northern shore of Lake Okeechobee, the liquid heart of the Everglades and I have had the privilege of living in Martin County, home of the St. Lucie River for the past 23 years. I am excited to have your leadership in Washington, D.C. to fight for the federal dollars that are so desperately needed to complete the many projects needed to save Lake Okeechobee, our northern estuaries and the majestic Everglades.

I wanted to personally thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve the people of South Florida for the past 20 months. Serving on this board has been a desire of mine most of my adult life and working with the men and women of the South Florida Water Management District has been one of the greatest privileges of my life. The dedication and professionalism of the staff at the District is second to none. So much has been accomplished during my time on the board, most notably the historic progress that has been made on the EAA Reservoir under the direction of Senate Bill 10. This project, along with other critical CERP and CEPP projects must be completed post-haste to save our unique and fragile ecosystem in South Florida.

A wise man once said, "The greatest barrier to truth is pre-conceived notions." It is my sincere prayer and hope that the man or woman chosen to replace me will remove all pre-conceived notions they may have and start day one with an open mind, not swayed by any special interest, sincerely seeking the truth that comes from sound science and common sense.

I am at peace today knowing that I have served the people of South Florida with honesty, dignity and respect. May God continue to bless you and your family as you faithfully serve the people of the Great State of Florida.

Most Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke at the bottom.

Brandon D. Tucker

Copies:

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Governor of Florida
The Capitol
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Tallahassee, FL 32399